

HOUSE BILL NO. 452.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, April 1, 1909.

To the Secretary of State:

I herewith transmit for file in the office of the Secretary of State House bill No. 452 without my approval, and on account of the following objections: This is an act to amend Article 3385, Title 69 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, relating to local option, and has for its object the exception from the operation of the local option laws, wholesale druggists located in local option territory so that they may sell alcohol to retail and dispensing druggists. As the qualified voters in local option territory have determined by their ballots that the sale of alcohol and all other intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited in such territory, I can not give my approval to any legislative enactment changing or modifying the result of this expression of the people. There might be isolated instances in which no harm could result and where no reasonable objection to this bill could be furnished, but as the same must be universal in its application and as abuses can easily be foreseen, I feel in duty bound to withhold my approval.

T. M. CAMPBELL,
Governor of Texas.